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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of George E. Fox,)
Richard C. Willson III and Zhengdong Zhang)
Serial No.: 10/057,270)
Filed: 26 Jan 2002)
For: ...Methods for Determining the Genetic)
Affinity of Microorganisms and viruses)
Examiner Jason)
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Group 1631)
Priority: 26 Jan 2001, USSN 60/254,403)
Attorney Docket: 010AUS)
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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 7, 2008, consideration of the following Amendments and Remarks is solicited.

The undersigned Attorney certifies that this document has been filed via fax to 571-273-0300 Central Fax of the USPTO on 15 August 2008 (37 CFR 1.10).